

## **Portsmouth Regional Local Human Rights Committee**

**May 19 2006 Approved Minutes**

### LHRC MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE MAY 19, 2006

EUNICE LEE RANDALL CROCKER, CHAIRPERSON

BEVERLY L. CORPREW

CLIFFERT NORMAN

RAYMOND PEELE III

SHERRI MCGRUFF

REGIONAL ADVOCATE, REGION V  
REGINALD T. DAYE

Ms. Crocker, Chairperson, opened the meeting at 9:15 am.

The minutes of the February 24, 2006 meeting were read, corrections made. The same minutes were moved and accepted as read with corrections.

Mr. Daye announced that the Human Rights Conference will be held in Richmond, at the Kroger South Center Holiday Inn on September 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> 2006. 325 slots are available. Slots will be available to LHRC members first, then to program liaisons. Treasury funds are to cover the costs of the conference for members along with related expenses. The treasurer is advised to ensure adequate funds are available to cover said expenses.

It was announced that Mr. Norman would not continue with the Committee after his term expires on June 30<sup>th</sup>. This will leave three vacancies on the committee. The committee needs a health care professional and a consumer (not affiliated with any of the LHRC programs) who has received services in the past five years. The third vacancy can be filled by anyone who qualifies. Two candidates may be interviewed by the committee today. Since current member's terms end on June 30<sup>th</sup>, the committee may need to have a call meeting to interview perspective candidates. The State Human Rights Committee must approve candidates.

### **Affiliate Status Reports**

#### **Faith Hope and Charity**

Not yet licensed. Has submitted behavior policy and procedures to the State for approval.

No issues

Rules of Conduct and Behavior- office of Human rights requested revision for time out and re-direction. Revisions were made and submitted to committee for approval. Behavior management policy and procedures accepted. Rules of conduct to be re-submitted at next meeting.

Requested continued temporary affiliation, motioned and approved.

### **Blue Ridge Residential Services**

22 Homes

One report of neglect

No other status changes

Behavior management policy and procedure not yet approved, will be re-submitted at next meeting.

Requested continued temporary affiliation for 11 additional homes. Mr. Daye indicated that the committee would approve temporary affiliation contingent upon receipt of a letter from Blue Ridge stating that its current policies and procedure will also apply to the additional homes, and submission of a listing of all the additional homes.

### **Intercept Youth Services**

8 residents

No issues

Rules of conduct not yet approved

### **Child of God Group Homes, LLC**

2 residents

No admission or discharges

No complaints, no restraints, no seclusions, and no human rights violations

Annual licensed renewed on 2/12/2006 thru 2/11/2007.

Rules of Conduct approved. Behavior Management policy and procedures approved.

Requested temporary affiliation for expansion of COG LLC to 768 Norwood Circle, Hampton, Va.

Affiliation granted contingent upon receipt of letter to Mr. Daye's office indicating current policies and procedures will cover expansion.

### **Dominion Services for All People**

No admissions

4 restraints

1 AWOL

Copy of letter of approval received for Dominion Services

### **Corine's Place**

Temporary license extended for 6 months 12/27/2005 thru 6/26/2006

Due for on site inspection 6/1/2006.

1 admission, no discharges for deaths

No restraints, seclusions or human rights violations

Letter received for approval for temporary affiliation for expansion of Corine's Place. Permanent affiliation granted for expansion by committee.

### **Phoenix Aspiration Of Care**

Census 4, 4 admissions, 1 discharge,

No restraints, no deaths,

2 allegations to be discussed in closed session

Requested temporary affiliation for expansion for an Adult Co-ed facility, approved contingent upon receipt of letter indicating that current policies/procedures will cover expansion facility. Letter needs to be sent to Mr. Daye in advance.

### **Shepherd's Lodge**

1 admission, no discharges no restraints, no complaints, no human rights violations.  
Requested continued temporary affiliation for expansion program, approved by committee.

### **VBMC**

43 admissions, 47 discharges  
No issues

### **AA&G Group Home**

4 clients  
1 admission, 1 discharge  
No issues  
Requested continued temporary affiliation for additional home. Approved by committee.

### **Family Matters Services, LLC**

No representative present at the start of the meeting.  
Committee voted to change permanent affiliation status to temporary affiliation.  
10:30 Family Matters representative came in.  
Status report  
2 admissions, 1 discharge  
No issues  
Behavior Mgmt policy approved  
Committee voted to re-instate permanent affiliation status.

### **New Business**

Child of God Group Homes, LLC  
Requesting temporary affiliation for expansion of program. Approval contingent of receipt of letter indicating current policies and procedures will cover expanded program.

Treasurer's report not presented, due to absence of the treasurer.

Mr. Daye expanded on the discussion of the purpose of the funds collected by the treasurer. Funds are to provide administrative support for the committee, member expenses, refreshments, for conferences every other year, and clerical expenses. Mr. Daye suggested affiliate programs decide on a schedule for collection of fees and the amount to be collected. To date six programs have not paid. Co-treasurer needs to be appointed.

Corine's Place to bring refreshments for next meeting on August 25, 2006.

Ms. Crocker, Ms. Corprew and Mr. Norman expressed thanks to the affiliates for the opportunity to work with them.

Ms Crocker stated committee needed to go into closed session. Committee motioned to go into closed session pursuant to Va. Code 2.2-3711A for purpose of conducting interview of candidates for membership on PRLHRC. Upon reconvening in open session members certified that only matters related to the interview were discussed.

Committee met and motioned to recommend to SHRC the appointment of Janell Harper-Youngblood to PRLHRC.

Committee motioned to go into closed session pursuant to VA. Code 2.2-3711A for purpose of discussing serious incidents with Blue Ridge Services, Dominion Services and Phoenix Aspiration. Committee motioned to come out of closed session. Upon reconvening in open session, Committee certified that the only discussion was r/t serious incidents with Blue Ridge, Dominion and Phoenix Aspiration.

Committee recommendations:

Blue Ridge: 1. H.G. sponsor, be given written notice of her termination. Done 3/31/06 by Mr. Gilman; a copy to be forwarded to Mr. Daye by Mr. Gilman. 2. R.B. consumer, to be made aware that they have the right of appeal and to discuss procedures for similar events in the future. Mr. Gilman did this, and the appeals statement will be forwarded to Mr. Daye by Mr. Gilman. 3. Program will also be proactive in discussing procedures for similar events with all of its sponsors and consumers.

Phoenix Aspiration: No recommendations

Dominion- Look into obtaining motion alarm system for windows

Programs voted to pay \$125.00 at next meeting to ensure adequate funds available to cover conference expenses.

Affiliates announce the appointment of Stella Haskins of Corine's Place as Co-treasurer.

Ms. Crocker announced the Meeting adjournment at 12 Noon.

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